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Toye Elected President of CAMA

Jim Toye, City Manager for North Battleford, SK, was elected president of the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA) at the association's annual general meeting held on May 31, 2011 in Halifax, NS. Mr. Toye will lead the 480-member national organization of municipal management professionals until June 2012. He succeeds outgoing CAMA president, Jacques Des Ormeaux, General Manager of the City of Bromont, QC.

"I am honoured to be able to work with my municipal counterparts from across Canada to further administrative excellence within our profession," said Toye. "I look forward to continuing CAMA's efforts aimed at ensuring healthy and thriving Canadian communities."

Mr. Toye has 25 years of experienced in municipal government management. He has been City Manager for North Battleford, SK for the past decade. Prior to that, he held senior management positions in Kindersley, Leader and Unity, all in Saskatchewan. Mr. Toye attended the College of Commerce, University of Saskatchewan, received his Local Government Administration Certificate from the University of Regina and also has received a Certificate in Economic Development from the University of Waterloo.

He has been an active member of the Urban Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan (UMAAS), holding various positions. He was a recipient of the 2006 Saskatchewan Centennial Volunteer Medal, which recognized his service to UMAAS and municipal government. He was appointed as the Saskatchewan/Manitoba representative to the CAMA Board in 2006.

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"Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible."

-- Dalai Lama

National Aboriginal Day June 21 - Share in the Celebration!

On June 21st, Canadians from all walks of life are invited to participate in the many National Aboriginal Day events that will be taking place from coast to coast to coast to coast.

June 21st kick starts the 11 days of Celebrate Canada! which includes National Aboriginal Day (June 21), Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day (June 24), Canadian Multiculturalism Day (June

Active in the community, Mr. Toye has served on the executive of the Battleford Rotary Club and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He enjoys spending time with his family, golfing, camping and curling. He and his wife Colleen, a registered nurse, have three daughters, two grandsons and one granddaughter.

The 2011-12 CAMA board of directors will also include:

- Ron Shaw, First Vice-President / CAMA Director-at-Large / Chief Administrative Officer, City of Stratford, ON
- Jean Savard, Second Vice-President / CAMA
 Representative for Québec / Manager of the Borough of Charlesbourg, City of Quebec, QC
- Robert Hughes, Treasurer / CAMA Representative for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island / Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Stratford, PE
- Jacques Des Ormeaux, Past President / General Manager, City of Bromont, QC
- Don MacLellan / CAMA Representative for New Brunswick / Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, City of Moncton, NB
- Kelly Daniels / CAMA Representative British Columbia and Yukon / Chief Administrative Officer, Capital Regional District (Vancouver Island), BC
- Bill Holtby / CAMA Representative Alberta and Northwest Territories / City Manager, St. Albert, AB
- Patrick Moyle / CAMA Representative for Ontario / Chief Administrative Officer, The Regional Municipality of Halton, ON.
- Keith Ams / CAMA Representative Newfoundland and Labrador / Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Conception Bay South, NL
- Marie-Hélène Lajoie / CAMA Director-at-Large / Deputy City Manager, Gatineau, QC

27) and concludes with Canada Day (July 1)!

National Aboriginal Day promotional products available for ordering include a pamphlet, bookmark, poster, learning and activity guide, and more. Products may be ordered by phoning (toll-free) 1-800-567-9604, or by faxing your order to 1-877-734-6323. You may also contact the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada regional office nearest you.

SK Unemployment Rate Again Leads the Country

With a seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 5.0 per cent (well below the national average of 7.4 per cent), Saskatchewan has now had the lowest unemployment rate in Canada for three straight months. Regina also continues to hold its own among major Canadian cities, with an unemployment rate of 5.4 per cent - the lowest in the country (tied with Hamilton). Regina also saw a year-overyear employment increase of 3,000.

"As Saskatchewan's economy gathers momentum, more and more people are seizing the opportunities our province has to offer,"
Advanced Education,

Call for Public Representation on Health Councils

Saskatchewan residents who want to make a difference in health care have the opportunity to serve on a number of health professional councils. The Ministry of Health is seeking motivated individuals to fill important public representative positions on one of 26 self-regulating health professional councils in Saskatchewan. Closing date for submission of résumés is September 8.

"Public members play a vital role in ensuring the best interests of Saskatchewan residents are represented on these health councils," Health Minister Don McMorris said. "We are looking for people who want to make a difference, people who are motivated to share their voice and expertise, putting the interests of patients first."

Some self-regulating health professional associations include the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists, the Saskatchewan Dental Hygienists' Association, the Saskatchewan College of Psychologists and many others.

Residents with relevant skills including prior experience on volunteer boards, councils or committees, are encouraged to apply. Meetings convene in Regina, Saskatoon or other locations in Saskatchewan. The time commitment ranges from four to 12 days a year. Travel expenses and an honorarium will be paid.

Saskatchewan residents interested in serving on a council should submit a résumé including a history of their community involvement and volunteer activities, along with relevant education and employment experience to the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, Workforce Planning Branch, 3475 Albert Street, Regina SK S4S 6X6, or email Linda.Dewhirst@health.gov.sk.ca.

For further details, visit www.health.gov.sk.ca

Employment and Immigration Minister Rob Norris said. "The ability of our people to directly benefit from that growth is a cornerstone of the Saskatchewan Advantage." There were 535,900 people working in Saskatchewan in May 2011, a year-over-year increase of 2,400 and a record for the month of May. Noting that six of Canada's nine major economic forecasters are calling on Saskatchewan to lead the nation in growth, Norris expressed optimism that Saskatchewan will remain a place of opportunity for job seekers.

"With the lowest unemployment rate in the country and ever-growing prospects, Saskatchewan continues to be the place to be for skilled workers," Norris said.

SUMA Classifieds:

Positions Available:

Resort Village of Kannata Valley: Administrator (06/30/2011)

<u>Village of Hodgeville:</u> <u>Administrator</u> (06/18/2011)

New SUMA faces!

The past weeks have seen three additions to the SUMA office. Please join us in welcoming Shannon Derrick, Marlys Wasylyniuk and Kelly Krupp!

Shannon joined the team in early May. As part of her move into a career in public policy development, she will be working as our Policy Research Assistant during the summer months.

Marlys began work with us May 18. A recent graduate of the Edwards School of Business at the U of S (BComm), Marlys has been working hard in the Event and Corporate Services Department as the Event and Corporate Services Coordinator.

Kelly Krupp assumed the role of Executive Assistant June 7. Formerly a Project Administrator with Associated Engineering, she will primarily be responsible for projects and administrative tasks associated with the CEO's office and will provide assistance to the Board and Executive of SUMA.

Welcome to all of you! We are glad you're part of the SUMA team.

TCA Reporting Support Program

One of the important services offered by the TCA reporting project was the online support program. Since it was launched, the support program has fielded more than 600 requests for assistance.

This service was extremely valuable to municipalities as they had access to a professional accountant at no cost to their operations.

<u>City of Moose Jaw:</u> <u>Director of Human</u> <u>Resources (05/31/2011)</u>

<u>Town of LeRoy: Town</u> <u>Administrator</u> (06/03/2011)

<u>Town of Keremeos, BC:</u> CAO (06/10/2011)

<u>City of Weyburn: Finance</u> <u>Officer</u> (06/10/2011)

<u>Town of St. Brieux: Town</u> <u>Foreman</u> (06/17/2011)

Sask Municipal Board: F/T Board Member (06/24/2011)

<u>Town of Kamsack: Water</u> <u>Treatment Plant</u> <u>Operator</u> (06/17/2011)

Village of Chaplin: Public Works Maintenance Person (06/30/2011)

Resort Village of Candle
Lake: Public
Works/Maintenance
Manager (When Filled)

<u>Town of St. Walburg:</u> <u>Administrator</u> (When Filled)

Did you know...

Fleming, SK was pictured on the (very old) Canadian \$1

As the majority of the TCA reporting has been completed, the project committee has decided to discontinue the support program effective July 1, 2011. Any further assistance after this date will have to be referred to your auditor.

Water Consultation Volunteers Required

SUMA is looking for municipal elected officials and staff to participate in the upcoming water consultations. Your input will help identify important urban priorities that should be incorporated in the development of a province-wide comprehensive water management plan.

Two meetings will be held on June 29. Session one will be for urban elected officials, followed by a second session for urban municipal staff. Please respond no later than **June 24**th to <u>cchung@suma.org</u> regarding your participation. We encourage an early response due to limited seating. If you are unable to attend in person, a **minimum number** of members can join the consultation via conference call.

For more information, visit the <u>SUMA website</u>.

bill! With its 2006 Census numbers coming in at 75 people, it's the smallest official town in the province. (And it's a SUMA member! Go Fleming!)



About Us

We'd like to thank you for reading the Urban Update this week, and we welcome your comments.

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